Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a), (b), (c), (d) and (e): Vide answers to question No. 403.

Article in the Lokaprakasam regarding certain appointments.

405. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(a) Has the attention of the Government been drawn to the article on Cochin Legislative Council published in the 'Lokaprakasam' dated 3rd September 1928, and if so, will they be pleased to state how the appointments referred to in (1), (2) and (3) of 3rd para came to be made in supersession of the claims of other legitimate claimants;

(b) the principle observed in granting extensions to officers in service after reaching the period of retirement and why the persons referred to in para 4 of that article were not granted extensions?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) Yes. The appointments referred to came to be made in the interests of service.

(b) vide article 201 C. S. R.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The latter part of sub-division (b) of my question has not been answered.

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—I have answered it. The reason stated is that it is done under Article 201. Under this the Diwan considers it in the interests of Government that it is not necessary to retain him; he is to retire under Article 201.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—So with regard to the latter part of my question, am I to understand that it was not considered necessary?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—That is clear.

Economic Development Board.

406. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—In answer to question No. 10 of the Special Session it is said that an amount of Rs. 2,975 was spent by the Development Board on Experiments. Will the Government be pleased to state what all experiments were conducted with the names of individuals who conducted them and the result of each and the amount spent on each experiment?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The expenditure of Rs. 2,975 includes the following item:—

1. Stipends of candidates sent for training in Bee keeping and Poultry farming. Rs. 109—0—0.
2. T. A. of the candidates Rs. 43—15—0.
3. Purchase of Bee-hives and experimenting with them Rs. 111—0—0.

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4. Purchase of fowls for Poultry Farming
Rs. 200—0—0

5. Bonuses to Agricultural and Industrial teachers for work done for improvement of rural agricultural and cottage industries Rs. 1,250—0—0

6. Do. to Co-operative Societies Rs. 700—0—0

7. Paid to Maharaja's College, Ernakulam, for Economic Survey of neighbouring areas Rs. 280—8—6

8. Do. to St. Thomas College, Trichur
Rs. 280—8—6

Total Rs. 2,975—0—0

The candidate trained in Poultry Farming is C. K. Krishnan, teacher, Malayalam School, Thoosam, and the one trained in Bee-keeping is M. Raman Manalar of Malayalam School, Villedom.

The names of institutions and teachers that were given bonuses, are given below:—

Class I	1	Kumbalanghi	Co-operative Society	Rs. 60 each Rs. 300
	2	Ochanturuttu	do	
	3	Pallivirutti	do	
	4	Desamangalam	do	
	5	Palanji	do	
Class II	1	Mulanturuttu	do	Rs. 50 each Rs. 350
	2	Karuthedam	do	
	3	Oliyapuram	do	
	4	Koonamoochi	do	
	5	Cheruvirutti	do	
	6	Ayalur	do	
	7	Nadavaramba	do	
Class III	1	Avinisseri	do	Rs. 25 each Rs. 50
	2	Karamuku	do	
			Total	Rs. 700

		Rs.
1	Agricultural Instructor, H. S., Chittur	100
2	Do H. S., Irinjalakkuda	100
3	Do H. S., Chalakkudi	100
4	Do H. S., Mulanturuttu	100
5	Do M. S., Nedupula	50
6	Do Kiluthani	50
7	Do Alapad	50
8	V. N. Kuhjan Menon, H. S., Chalakkudi	100
9	Spinning teacher, S. R. V. S., Ernakulam	50
10	Industrial teacher, M. S. Puthen Peedica	50
11	M. A. Ouseph, teacher, S. H. L. S. S., Chenganad	50
12	P. Sankara Panikkar, M. M. S., Kanjiramritam	50
13	V. Ramakrishna Ayyar, M. S., Edanad (St. Augustine's)	25

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14	K. C. Chandy, teacher M. S., Eroor	25
15	R. I. School, Desamangalam	100
16	Do. Irinjalakkuda.	100
17	Convent Industrial School, Ollur	100
18	C. M. Matthai, M. S., Puthenthode	50
	Total	1,250

A Poultry Farm has been opened at Thoosam under the supervision of the teacher who was specially trained for the work. The man trained in Bee-keeping has succeeded in introducing it in certain select places. So that he may further equip himself for the work he has been deputed for a short course of training at Ramanathapuram in Coimbatore District.

Those who were given special bonuses had been instrumental in disseminating useful knowledge regarding agricultural operations, such as the introduction of improved methods of cultivation, use of scientific manures, plant diseases and their cure, and in improving rural industries, such as Mat-making, Silk rearing, Weaving, etc. The Co-operative Societies had been doing specially good work.

The Economic Departments of the 2 Colleges have been carrying on an intensive Economic Survey of certain typical areas which when completed will form a record of valuable data for systematic work connected with rural reconstruction.

407. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja**—Will the Government be pleased to state the details of the expenditure incurred by the Economic Development Board for 'Experiments' in 1103 referred to in the answer to question No. 10 of the Special Session of 1104?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Vide answer to question No. 406.

Extension of service to officers after the 55th year.

408. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) is it not the practice of Government to consider early in every year the cases of officers who will complete their 55th year the next year and issue printed Proceedings specifying the names of officers ordered to be retired and of those to whom extension of service has been granted;

(2) if so, will they be pleased to place on the Table copies of printed Proceedings issued in 1102 and 1103 in respect of officers to be retired in 1103 and 1104 respectively?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(1) Yes.

(2) Copies of the printed Proceedings are placed on the Council Table.

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